

PATENT Attorney Docket No. 09812.0079-00

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Katsuhiro SUGIYAMA, et al.	) Group Art Unit: 4146
Application No.: 10/578,348	) Examiner: Pakee FANG
Filed: May 5, 2006	) )
For: INFORMATION PROCESSING UNIT AND METHOD, AND PROGRAM	) Confirmation No.: 5177

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2009, the period for response to which extends through March 3, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include Amended Abstract.